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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box Non-Fee Amendment

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-12 have been amended as follows:

1. (Amended) A recognized word registration method, for a speech recognition apparatus that includes a display screen and a voice input device, comprising the steps of:

obtaining a word inscription specified by a user;

searching a word dictionary to obtain a sounds-like spelling corresponding to said word inscription;

searching a pronunciation dictionary to obtain a base form corresponding to said sounds-like spelling that has been obtained; and

registering said base form in a speech recognition dictionary.